

ALL THINGS DYKE

This is a collection of resources I have gathered in my slightly erratic delve into all things dyke. I have truly loved the process of gathering these many amazing websites, archives and magazines. It's truly moving to explore the web that weaves between community and time, tying lesbian folk from all over together. I hope someone can find this list useful or at least have fun delving into the rabbit hole of dyke history.

ARCHIVES AND RESOURCES

- ◆ Archives of Lesbian Oral Testimony (2026). *Archives of Lesbian Oral Testimony*. [online] Archive-it.org. Available at: <https://wayback.archive-it.org/12142/20220517154006/https://alotarchives.org/>
- ◆ Black Lesbian Archives (2019). *Black Lesbian Archives*. [online] Payhip. Available at: https://payhip.com/BlackLesbianArchives?utm_source=ig&utm_medium=social&utm_content=link_in_bio&fbclid=PAAdGRleAO9RthleHRuA2FlbQIxMQBzcnRjBmFwcF9pZA8xMjQwMjQ1NzQyODc0MTQAAepunILuquJkpLp5eVaRjL3ePcgLkFE-yghC9NOZM-1pII TYoTcF4OoexnKvg_aem_NG1ZOTJIDq_ZReB3-CTT4g
- ◆ Lesbian Archive (2021). *Grackle's Place - Lesbian Archive*. [online] Neocities.org. Available at: <https://grackle.neocities.org/lesbian>
- ◆ - Wanderground Lesbian Archive/Library. (2018). *Home -*. [online] Available at: <https://wanderground.org/>.
- ◆ Glasgow Womens Library (2017). *LGBTQ Collections Online Resource | Glasgow Women's Library*. [online] Glasgow Women's Library. Available at: <https://womenslibrary.org.uk/explore-our-collections/lgbtq-collections-online-resource/>.
- ◆ Missouri Historical Society (n.d.). *Gateway to Pride*. [online] gtp.mhs.yourcultureconnect.com. Available at: <https://gtp.mhs.yourcultureconnect.com/e/home>.
- ◆ Find here a suggested search on a great database full of interesting things to search through.

https://www.jstor.org/action/doBasicSearch?Query=ps_subject%3A%22Lesbians%22&so=rel&pagemark=eyJwYWdlIjoyLCJzdGFydCI6MjUsInRvdGFsIjozODk0fQ%3D%3D&groupecf=WYJjb250cmliZXRIZF9jb250YWluZXIiLCJjb250cmliZXRIZF92aWRlbyIsImNvbnRyaWJldGVkX2ltYWdlcyIsImNvbnRyaWJldGVkX3Bhbm9yYW1hcyIsImNvbnRyaWJldGVkX2F1ZGlviY29udHJpYnV0ZWRFdGV4dCJd



Magazines and publications

On Our Backs- This was the first women-run erotica magazine to feature lesbian erotica, running from 1984-2006 magazine issues can be found in a few corners of the internet however it's been removed from many, find links to some editions below.

- Using the Houston LGBT history archive follow 'home'>'publications'>'women's publications: 1975+' and scroll down to the bottom access one of the publications.
- Internet Archive. (1999). *On Our Backs June-July 1999 : On Our Backs : Free Download, Borrow, and Streaming : Internet Archive*. [online] Available at: <https://archive.org/details/on-our-backs-14-3-9906-07/page/n27/mode/2up> To access 2 further editions, click the creator link under this edition.
- Cage, D. (2004). *On Our Backs Guide to Lesbian Sex*. [online] Alyson Publishing. Available at: https://archive.org/details/isbn_9781555838058.

Lavender letters- Running from march to December of 1984 this publication was a place where women and women loving women specifically could ask questions, seek answers and find community.

- Using the Houston LGBT history archive follow 'home'>'publications'>'womens publications: 1975+' and scroll down to lavender letters access this amazing publication

In Them We All Exist-

- Schomburg Centre For Research in black culture and Lesbian Herstory Archives (n.d.). *In Them We All Exist- Reflections and Resources on Black Lesbian Herstory in the Archives*. [online] Available at: <https://heyzine.com/flip-book/4156295473.html#page/1>.

Dyke 4 Dyke- Uk based lesbian zine from the current time, delves into the present and the past and can be ordered in physical or read online.

- https://ko-fi.com/dyke4dyke/shop?utm_source=ig&utm_medium=social&utm_content=link_in_bio&fbclid=PAZXh0bgNhZW0CMTEAc3J0YwZhcHBfaWQMMjU2MjgxMDQwNTU4AAGnzyrsQTmdfbF8hK45bSZGL55nGGI7YV3Ngwj6cusXD1U7f-P1o0HvhxPTISw_aem_c5xVfkPzN4TmfdALzDkbWg

Butch-Femme Press- An Interdisciplinary publication for Butches, Femmes, and Queers, this publication can be ordered as a physical copy or a PDF.

- Butch-Femme Press (2026). *Home Page*. [online] ButchfemmePress.com. Available at: https://butchfemmePress.com/?utm_source=ig&utm_medium=social&utm_content=link_in_bio&fbclid=PAZXh0bgNhZW0CMTEAc3J0YwZhcHBfaWQMMjU2MjgxMDQwNTU4AAGnHD5ka79S7X0bfgYVH_0uE7odQPHdvWm1-w3pKif65dEluxI8QYXh7RZ51Y4_aem_AvyxgifNN54riltxBHv9UQ

Dyke News Scotland- Scottish based lesbian newspaper taking submissions quarterly, reflects old lesbian publications with word searches, personals and art. Can only be read in person, found at cafes across Scotland. Find out more through their Instagram.

- @dykenewsscotland

Lesbian Connection Magazine- A free worldwide forum of news, ideas and information for, by and about lesbians that has been running since 1974.

- Lesbian Connection (2025). *Lesbian Connection Magazine*. [online] Lesbian Connection | the Free Worldwide Forum of News & Ideas for, by and about Lesbians. Available at: <https://www.lconline.org/>

Bad Attitude- Running 1992-1995 this London based publication covered all things radical feminist, lesbian and anti-capitalist. Find below a few archived editions and a link to further information.

- Bad Attitude (2026). *Internet Archive: Digital Library of Free & Borrowable Texts, Movies, Music & Wayback Machine*. [online] Archive.org. Available at: <https://archive.org/details/@thesparrowsnestarchive?query=Bad+Attitude&and%5B%5D=creator%3A%22bad+attitude%22>

- <https://liberatinghistories.org/periodicals-guide/bad-attitude/>

Interesting reads

- ♦ LEVITT, H.M. and HIESTAND, K.R. (2005). GENDER WITHIN LESBIAN SEXUALITY: BUTCH AND FEMME PERSPECTIVES. *Journal of Constructivist Psychology*, [online] 18(1), pp.39–51. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1080/10720530590523062>
- ♦ Accetta, G.J. (1985). ‘No Woman is Truly Free to be Anything Until She is also Free to be a Lesbian’. [online] doi:<https://doi.org/10.2307/community.39458721>.
- ♦ Munt, Sally R. *Butch/Femme inside Lesbian Gender*. 1998, https://books.google.co.uk/books?hl=en&lr=&id=1G5M13Xida0C&oi=fnd&pg=PR7&dq=lesbian+gender&ots=bteMTYa5cU&sig=AdINyL9kMjEBTxWOyLozjeTteXk&redir_esc=y#v=onepage&q=lesbian%20gender&f=true
- ♦ Bailey, M.M. (2013). *Butch Queens up in Pumps: Gender, Performance, and Ballroom Culture in Detroit*. [online] University of Michigan Press. Available at: https://transreads.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/2023-08-22_64e4ca97e498d_ButchQueensUpinPumpsGenderPerformanceandBallroomCultureinDetroitbyMarlonM.Baileyz-lib.org_.pdf.
- ♦ Norton, R. (2026). *The ‘Sodomite’ and the ‘Lesbian’*. [online] *Archive.org*. Available at: <https://web.archive.org/web/20080215084530/http://www.infont.demon.co.uk/soci22.htm>
- ♦ <https://lesbiansovereverything.com/on-the-appropriation-of-femme/>

Videos and movie recs

- ♦ Carta Monir (2021). *Lesbian Tongues (1989)*. [online] YouTube. Available at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hcmwTzKTQfM>
- ♦ “The Queer Code: Secret Languages of LGBTQ+ Art.” *Www.youtube.com*, 24 Feb. 2022, www.youtube.com/watch?v=w447WOQZNNQ.
- ♦ szakeley. “Language and Queer Femininity | Video Essay.” *YouTube*, 29 May 2021, www.youtube.com/watch?v=boM-rEY9yk0.

- ◆ Starting here-<https://www.thecut.com/2021/06/lesbian-avengers-and-the-dyke-march.html> - take yourself on an internet drive into the lesbian avengers an NYC Direct action group
- ◆ **General Movie Recs-**
 - ‘Lesbian Avengers Eat Fire Too’ 1993-Su Friedrich, Janet Baus
 - ‘The Watermelon Woman’ 1996-Cheryl Dunye
 - ‘A Comedy in Six Unnatural Acts’ 1977-Jan Oxenberg
 - ‘Bloodsisters: Leather, Dykes, and sadomasochism’ 1995- Michelle Handelman
 - ‘Blue jean’ 2022- Georgia Oakley

Music and art

- ◆ https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL_h8dwRrgMvE072AXJA8Or5Y23otB8zBU
- ◆ Decoratingdissidence.com. (2020). *Practice-Based: Quilting the Lesbian Archive, Sarah-Joy Ford*. [online] Available at: <https://decoratingdissidence.com/2020/04/03/practice-based-quilting-the-lesbian-archive-sarah-joy-ford/>.
- ◆ <https://www.fireislandartistresidency.org/lesbian-narratives-project>

Instagram Accounts to keep an eye on

- ◆ <https://www.instagram.com/dykelives?igsh=eWoyMHh4dnBycnRz>
- ◆ <https://www.instagram.com/onyour.knees?igsh=MTZobTg4a24yNXF3eQ==>
- ◆ <https://www.instagram.com/dykejelly?igsh=enZlc3BsM2lINmF2>
- ◆ <https://www.instagram.com/thehistoricalhomo?igsh=NGJ4eDNkNmdtNnNx>
- ◆ <https://www.instagram.com/butch4butcharchives?igsh=MXNhMnJzaTM4bnB6ZQ==>
- ◆ <https://www.instagram.com/rebeldykes?igsh=ZXpreDdsY3Z2ZmNp>
- ◆ <https://www.instagram.com/afemmesarchive?igsh=MTY0ZThlaXM0MGIOOQ==>
- ◆ <https://www.instagram.com/butchdagger?igsh=MTg2cXdYzlxYWp4ag==>
- ◆ <https://www.instagram.com/loverboibutch?igsh=MTInYTM5eWpsNHFzbg==>
- ◆ <https://www.instagram.com/dykepr1ncess?igsh=cHAYbHJON3F2bTI0>
- ◆ <https://www.instagram.com/dirtydykemagazine?igsh=ZTMxMWlnOW1tMG05>

Extra Information

- Audio files are some amazing resources if your goal is exploring and immersing rather than gathering data or information, these can be found through many of the archives linked at the top of this file, Dear Morgan, Side A, November 14, 1988 is one of my favourites and can be found in the Lesbian Herstory Archives. If you want any additional support finding files or navigating the archives i have spent far too much time exploring them and would be happy to help if you drop me an email!
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